

A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
THE CITY OF SODDY-DAISY, TENNESSEE, WAS HELD
ON THURSDAY, MARCH 4, 2010 AT 7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:
MAYOR SHIPLEY
VICE-MAYOR PRIVETT
COMMISSIONER ADAMS
COMMISSIONER HARMON
COMMISSIONER SKILES
CITY MANAGER STULCE
CITY RECORDER BURRIS
CITY ATTORNEY ELLIOTT

The minutes of the meeting held February 18, 2010 were approved as presented.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SODDY-DAISY, TENNESSEE,
ACCEPTING AN EXTENSION OF WEATHERSBY ROAD AS A
PUBLICLY DEDICATED CITY STREET.
PUBLIC HEARING AND FIRST READING.

There were no comments and/or questions from those present. Vice-Mayor Privett asked how many feet of additional road will be taken. A review of the plat showed that the addition would be 461.72 feet. Mayor Shipley said that the mail carrier and the garbage truck already use this roadway. City Attorney Elliott stated that the property owners were in favor of this acceptance. Commissioner Skiles noted that all of the property owners involved have signed the plat dedicating the additional right-of-way.

1st - Commissioner Adams
2nd - Commissioner Skiles
Ayes - Unanimous

Billy Petty, president of the Soddy-Daisy KIDS Club, addressed the Board about several issues concerning “select teams” and adults using the KIDS Club fields for practice. Each Commissioner then expressed various concerns or complaints about these same issues. After a lengthy discussion between Commissioners and KIDS Club President Petty, it was the consensus of the Board for the KIDS Club to continue managing, scheduling and operating the facility as they, the KIDS Club, saw fit.

Cheryl Hills, 9607 Barbee Road, Lot 21, Hidden Hills Mobile Home Park, said she is having problems with dogs running in packs in her neighborhood. She said she called the Human Society and was told that if she catches the dogs, they will come and get them. Vice-Mayor Privett asked Chief Hamrick if his department can handle the dogs running in packs. Chief Hamrick said if the owners can be identified he can contact them. Mrs. Hills said she knew most of the dogs’ owners. City Manager Stulce was directed to contact the Humane Society about this complaint. Mrs. Hills then asked if the City would allow an automobile repair business in the trailer park. She said they dump oil and grease on the ground and burn it. Mayor Shipley asked Codes Officer Grant to address this complaint. Vice-Mayor Privett instructed Mrs. Hills to call the Air Pollution Control Bureau

when the burning occurs. He said they are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and they would come out upon complaint. Robert Hills, said he had called the police department several times on the issue. He said several cars have no license plates. City Attorney Elliott said again that this complaint would be handled under codes enforcement.

Robert Cothran, 10175 Dallas Hollow Road, announced several upcoming events sponsored by the Vietnam Veterans Chapter 942. The 2nd Annual Rod Run will be held on March 27th from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at Veterans Park; the 2010 Fishing Rodeo to be held at Soddy Lake on May 22nd; and on May 15th beginning at 9:00 a.m. a community wide gospel singing at Veterans Park. He asked the Commissioners to put these events on their calendars. Mr. Cothran said a month ago he brought a preliminary drawing of things their Chapter would like to do at the Veterans Park. He said their plans are to put lights on the WWI monument and to construct a “Wall of Honor” recognizing veterans, fire and police personnel. He said all he was asking for now is the Council’s blessing on their plans. All Commissioners were in agreement with Mr. Cothran’s request.

City Manager Stulce presented a request from the police department to purchase drug detection equipment, training and travel for the officer associated with it. He gave the cost at \$8,000 with the expenditure from the drug fund. A motion was made by Vice-Mayor Privett to approve the request. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Skiles and the motion passed unanimously.

City Manager Stulce stated that the fire department’s approved capital outlay budget included an expenditure to replace self contained breathing apparatus cylinders. He said in talking with the new fire chief, he conveyed that the department is looking into a grant that will do a complete replacement of not just the cylinders but the entire breathing apparatus. After further checking it was determined that there weren’t as many cylinders requiring replacement this year. There was \$50,000 allotted for the cylinder upgrade. City Manager Stulce said he had received permission from Bakewell Utility District, after eight years, to install fire hydrants on their system. He asked that approval be given to take the cost of six (6) hydrants to include the tapping sleeves, valves, etc. @ \$2,400 each for a total of \$14,400 from the proposed cylinder purchase. He said approval was given in this year’s budget to purchase 10 hydrants for the Soddy-Daisy Falling Water Utility District and he would propose an additional 10 hydrants be purchased for a total of 20 hydrants. The total cost of the additional 10 hydrants was given at \$38,400. Mayor Shipley said the purchase is included in the budget. Commissioner Skiles noted the expenditure, whether cylinders or hydrants, are all the same line item in the budget. Commissioner Adams asked if the Utility District would charge for the installation. City Manager Stulce said the installation is included in the cost. A motion was made by Vice-Mayor Privett and seconded by Commissioner Adams to approve the request as presented and the ayes were unanimous.

City Manager Stulce presented a request from McGinnis Brothers Construction for a change order to the sewer project on the south end of the City. He read the request explaining the additional trench width was

necessitated due to river rock causing the trench to be wider, thus needing additional rock fill. The rock difference was 360 tons for an additional \$4,014 with no haul bill being requested. Commissioner Adams asked if the contractor was familiar with the soil and if anyone from the City looked at the ditch. City Manager Stulce said the WWTa is providing the inspector for the entire job. Commissioner Skiles said he recalled that when Mr. McGinnis was awarded the job he was asked if he knew the soil. City Attorney Elliott said unless the contract is a per unit price, the City has no legal obligation to the change order. Mayor Shipley called for a motion. Having none, the change order was not approved.

City Manager Stulce reported that the police department was about to take on a new endeavor, that being 12 hour shifts beginning March 20th. This will give a minimum of four (4) patrol cars on the road and at peak times there will be five (5) cars. The City will be divided into three (3) districts instead of two (2). Chief Hamrick said the additional district will be accomplished at a later date. Commissioner Skiles asked if this change will save the City money. Chief Hamrick said it would because it will eliminate the same time for shift change which will save on overtime. Mayor Shipley asked the purpose of the change. Chief Hamrick said it will save on overtime and provide better coverage.

City Manager Stulce said in the last few months the City has been working with other agencies in a 10 county region to obtain District 3 Homeland Security funds. He said the City is tentatively scheduled to receive funds in the amount of \$113,451. These funds will be used to increase communications equipment for the police and public works departments. Vice-Mayor Privett commended City Manager Stulce for working on this, noting that the City hasn't received money from this distribution within the past three (3) or four (4) years.

Commissioner Skiles stated that the trailers, etc. parked at Broadway Furniture are an eyesore. Janice Hixson stated that when she had a business in this same area, she complained about this and was told that the business was within their right. Commissioner Skiles said he thought the trailers were temporary. Mayor Shipley asked that the City look at the permitted use of this type.

Vice-Mayor Privett announced that Hamilton County Commissioner Fred Skillern had given him two checks to present to the City. One check is in the amount of \$5,000 to be used toward the cost of the heating and air unit for the addition to the Senior Center. The second check is in the amount of \$1,000 for the fire department. He said that Commissioner Skillern made these payments from his allotted discretionary funds.

City Attorney Elliott stated that the City will hold condemnation hearings on substandard houses at 6:00 p.m. on March 18th, prior to the next regular meeting.

ADJOURNMENT 8:22 P.M.

RECORDER SARA BURRIS